

# UNITY OF INNER PEACE NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY, 2018

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Dear Friends in Unity,

This Christmas, among the typical cards and notes, I received two pieces of correspondence which took my breath away. One was an original poem on the subject of the oneness of all life, written by a local chorale friend, a retired physician's assistant. The other was a letter from a former boss, a nun, who retired to a piece of land north of Spokane, where she could raise animals and be a part of the earth. Her description of her life on a winter's day, was so poetic, I felt as though I had entered a master painting.

What a gift it is to be able to put something down on paper/in print so that the reader can read it, think about it, and go back from time to time to recapture the feeling or thought. Such is a poem by Buckminster Fuller, included in Metaphysics of Buckminster Fuller, a book by Unity minister, Phillip Pierson, which we here at Unity of Inner Peace studied a couple of years ago. I must confess that in the beginning I had to run to a dictionary for the definition of the term "a priori," but as I stuck with the poem, the ending had such impact that I will never forget it. I hope you will allow me to share it with you:

*"Knowledge is of the brain  
Wisdom is of the mind  
And there is herewith implicit  
An a priori wisdom-of-wisdoms.*

*Out of the a priori mystery  
From time to time  
Mind fishes a new  
Generalized principle,  
Which though absolutely unique  
Always accommodates and integrates  
With all the previously discovered  
Generalized principles...*

*And the why-for and how-come  
Of omni-interaccommodation  
Of all the known family  
Of weightless, eternal, generalized principles--  
Thus far discovered  
By scientific observation  
To be metaphysically governing  
In mathematical order  
All Scenario Universe's  
Interrelationships, transformations and transactions,  
Without one principle contradicting another-----  
Are all and together  
Absolute mystery."*

And so it is.

Lovingly,  
Judy

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## SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

### Feb. 4 \*\*\*\*\*BOARD MEETING following service\*\*\*\*\*

DVD, "**What Is New Thought?**" "Although its influence has been widespread throughout our culture, most people have little knowledge about this far-reaching spiritual movement. From the self-help industry to Alcoholics Anonymous and from Oprah Winfrey to the Word-Faith movement, the principles of this New Thought movement have been instrumental in transforming the lives of millions of people for quite some time. Now get a closer look at how New Thought has had an impact in our world." This will be our first session watching and discussing this video.

### Feb. 11

Speaker, **John Pepin**, deputy public information officer for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, who writes the "**Outdoors North**" column for "**The Mining Journal**" will present a talk entitled, "**Get Back to the Country.**"

### Feb. 18

Audio recording, "**Authentic Love**" by Unity Minister **Michael Jamison**.

### Feb. 25 \*\*\*\*\*POTLUCK following service\*\*\*\*\*

Speaker, **Karlyn Rapport**, speech pathologist, a Founding Mother of the Women's Center in Marquette and recipient of the AAUW's Martha Griffith Equity Award for 2016.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The **Annual Membership Meeting** was postponed to a later date, which will be announced in our next newsletter. At this membership meeting we will be nominating and voting on Board members. Some of our members have served well beyond term limits and so it is crucial that new folks step up. Please consider, "Is the value of Unity of Inner Peace worth my own time?" If the answer is, "Yes!" please contact Judy McGowan or any other current Board member ASAP. Thank you.

Have you been looking for a good book which will feed you in your spiritual growth? We'd like to remind you that for many years Unity of Inner Peace donated a book a month to the Peter White Public Library. Now, thanks to our Web Master, Steve Schmunk, the **list of all books** available is on our own web site. Check [unityofinnerpeace.org](http://unityofinnerpeace.org).

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## OUTREACH & PRAYER SUPPORT:

**Brandon Young** would like to thank those of you who continue to support him in his effort to obtain full custody of his son **psi**. The next **court date is Thursday, Feb. 15th at 10:00 AM.**, and all who choose to attend are greatly appreciated. Remember, we are Brandon's unofficial family. (Please look for a sign with room assignment when entering, or ask an employee.)

We also invite prayers of affirmation for the ongoing healing of Carol Birnbaum, Darlene Herkins, Dorit Stilling and Bob Lamb.

In times of stress, or when extra reassurance is needed, there is a place to turn. That place is Silent Unity, which for 125 years has been accepting prayer requests, 24/7. You may call 1-800-PRAY-NOW/ [1-800-669-7720](tel:1-800-669-7720).

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**BIRTHDAYS:** February is short on days, but we are long on wishes for Happy Birthdays to our amazing February folk. Love to one and all.

Cindy Brown, Feb. 12  
Colleen O'Hara, Feb. 13  
Steve Schmunk Feb. 16  
Martha Fotopulos, Feb. 20  
Judy McGowan, Feb. 29

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**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Our meetings/services are held at the clubhouse of the Marquette Federated Women's Clubs at 104 W. Ridge St., Marquette, MI 49855. We begin at 10:00 AM Eastern time. Please check our website at [unityofinnerpeace.org](http://unityofinnerpeace.org) or visit our Facebook page at [HTTPS://www.facebook.com/Unity-of-Inner-Peace-918296191554881/](https://www.facebook.com/Unity-of-Inner-Peace-918296191554881/) for further information.

Our Board members and assignments are as follows: Judy McGowan, President, newsletter; Steve Schmunk, Vice President, website; David McGowan, Treasurer; Ann Russ, Secretary, facebook, **CELEBRANT**; Militza Georgevich English; Gail Razavi; Bill Waters; Richard Leinonen, alternate.

**"We welcome you with love and peace. Our vision is a healed world."**